

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are currently pending in this application. It is gratefully acknowledged that the Examiner has found allowable subject matter in Claims 2, 7 and 10-12.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has rejected Claims 1, 3-6, 8 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Rune et al. (U.S. 2002/0025815) which has issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,829,428, in view of in view of Choi et al. (U.S. 6,963,540).

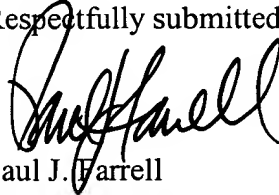
Choi et al. is assigned to Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. and as such is not valid prior art under 35 U.S.C. §103(c), since the subject matter developed by Choi et al. and the claimed invention were, at the time the claimed invention was made, owned by the same person or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same person.

Based on at least the foregoing, withdrawal of the rejection of Claims 1, 3-6, 8 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is respectfully requested.

Independent Claims 1, 4, and 9 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Without conceding the patentability per se of dependent Claims 2, 3, 5-8 and 10-12, these are likewise believed to be allowable by virtue of their dependence on their respective amended independent claims. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of dependent Claims 2, 3, 5-8 and 10-12 is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-12, are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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